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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

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- 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination. No certification or fee is required.
- 2. The reference was cited in an Office Action in a related Japanese application.
- 3. A English language Abstract of the non-English language reference is attached hereto.

4. A computer-generated English language translation of the following Japanese reference(s) has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([http://www.jpo.go.jp]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy.

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